THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

forgive one another





from the heart

Saturday, September 16

4:30 pm †Branden J. DeLuca Requested by Mom & Dad

Sunday, September 17

8:00am Special Intention

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

10:00am 12:00nn

Monday, September 18

7:00am †Margaret & James Stickley Requested by Margot Ferry

Tuesday, September 19

7:00am Mass for the People

Wednesday, September 20

7:00am †Ned & James Carney

Requested by Jeff & Kathleen Carney
Thursday, Sontombor 21

Thursday, September 21 7:00am †Peter M. Donohue

Requested by Carole Potter

Friday, September 22

7:00am Special Intention

Requested by Kathleen Carney

Saturday, September 23

4:30 pm †Leo H. Faucher

Requested by Family

Sunday, September 24

8:00am † Bill Carney

Requested by Kathleen & Jeff Carney

10:00am†Audrey F. Scuncio (2^r anniversary remembrance)

Requested by Family

12:00nn †Nancy Pearce

Requested by Family



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 17

10:00am †Lorette & Lionel Noel

Requested by Mary C. Young

Sunday, September 24

10:00am †Jane P. Grimley

Requested by her Father



For Your Information

SANCTUARY LAMP

This week's sanctuary lamp at St. Francis Church burns in memory of Jean Krul.

Don' forget! Our first HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHT is Saturday, September 23rd
and is open to all high school students
(**Confirmation candidates are required to come**). We will be having a movie night out on
the green to the right of Fr. Greenan Center
starting at 7pm. Bring chairs/blankets and some snack to share.



THANK YOU! ST. ROMUALD CHAPEL

Your 18 donations are helping to save up to 54 lives!

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Thank you for making a difference! See you next year!

HELP NEEDED

We are in need of a parishioner who are willing to wash a small amount of linens used from Mass every other week. Perhaps you are a stay at home mom, a retired person or someone who is looking to help our parish family in some small way. *This may be the ministry for you!* The current person is willing to guide you through the process. If you are able to help call Jacki at 783-4411.



 Weekly Support
 September 10

 Budget envelopes used (233)
 \$5,611.50

 Loose Donations
 \$1,635.00

 Online Giving (# of donors-66)
 \$2,201.00

 Total Budget
 \$9,447.50

Second Collection (Ongoing Maintenance)

Budget envelopes used (158) - \$1,795.50 Loose Donations - \$1,037.00 **Total** - \$2,832.50

This week's second collection is the Priest's Retirement. Next week's second collection is for Victims of Hurricane Harvey.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

From the Pastor,

Several things:

The annual pasta dinner is coming up on Friday, October 6, and the Events Committee has been working hard to prepare for this ever-popular event. You should have received a letter this past week with two books of raffle tickets as part of this gala evening and we hope you'll respond with generosity. The dinner itself is a great deal for individuals and for whole families and a great way to get our parishioners together to meet one another. Please plan to join us.

Religious education begins this weekend and a cadre of good souls has volunteered to help pass the faith on to the next generation. We could still use a few more teachers and aides, so please check the bulletin for more information and give us a call if you are willing to help with what is one of the primary efforts of the Church.

As of this writing, the search for an organist/choir director continues. Thanks be to God, we have enough talent in the parish to cover all the Masses for the foreseeable future but this is a very temporary solution. There are not a lot of people looking for this kind of position, and some of those looking are not qualified for the job. So keep praying! And may God bless the work.

Fr. Bodah



Praise Music Ministry is looking for teens in grades 8-12 to join this ministry. If you have a gift of voice or instrument, why not use it to sing God's praises? Practices are held on Sunday evenings from 7-8pm in Fr.

Greenan Center starting this Sunday, September 17th. Invite a friend to join you! If you have any questions, contact Mark Castro at 783-3924.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN TODAY

Grade K, 1 & 2—8:55-9:50am begin in church for class assignment, pick up in FGC Grades 3-6—10:55-11:50am begin in church for class assignment, pick up in FGC.

WEDNESDAY START-UP OF CLASSES IS SEPTEMBER 20TH

Grades 3-6—4:15-5:15pm begin in church for class assignment- pick up in FGC.

Grades 7 & 8 at 7:00pm Parent/Student Orientation Mtg. in FGC. Both **parent & child** are requested to attend. If you are unable to, please contact the religious education office to schedule an appointment.

What can I do to be of service to my parish?

One thing you can do is help children to know and love the Lord.

Please stand up and say "HERE I AM, LORD" since HE is the one calling YOU! The qualifications needed are: weekly participation at Sunday Eucharist, a generous heart, enjoyment of

young people, and a willingness to share your faith. Training and assistance are provided.

Catechists are needed:

Grade 4 Sunday (10:55-11:50) Grade 5 Wednesday (4:15-5:15)

Grades 7 & 8 Wednesday (7:00-8:15)

Please consider sharing your love for your Catholic faith with the youth of our parish. Call Barbette or Diane at the Religious Ed. office 792-8684 for more information.



Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place during the 10:00AM Mass at St. Francis of Assisi Church beginning September 24TH! At the

conclusion of the opening prayer, but before the first reading is proclaimed, Father will call the children age 4-2nd grade (adults involved will come forward at this time as well) to come forward for a blessing and proceed downstairs where they will celebrate their own Liturgy of the Word. This will enable the children present to hear the word of God in a manner more suited to their age and ability to understand. The children will join the rest of the congregation in time for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Organizational meeting for Children's Liturgy of the Word presenters **Monday**, **Sept. 18**th **at 6:30** in HBH, please join us if interested!

This Week Monday, September 18

7:30am Adoration (SF)

6:30pm Children's Liturgy of the Word

Meeting for Presenters (HBH)

Tuesday, September 19 7:00pm Bible Study (↓FGC)

Thursday, September 21

5:45pm Opening the Word (FGC)

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (JFGC-Foyer)

Sunday, September 24 10:00am PRAISE MASS

SENIOR PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND

This week's second collection supports the Senior Priest Retirement Fund. If you forgot to make a donation and would like to support this effort that provides critical resources for priests in their retirement years, please visit www.srpriestri.org to make an online donation using a secure server or mail your offering to Sr. Priest Retirement Fund, Office of Stewardship & Development, One Cathedral Square, Providence, RI 02903. Thankyou for your support of this critical effort to provide for senior priests in their retirement years—years many priests continue to spend very active in ministry.



<u>Flu Clinics</u>: *October 1* at St. Romuald Chapel (11am-1:00pm); *October 8* at St. Francis Church (9am-1:00pm)

<u>Blessing of the Animals</u>: *October 1* at 1:00pm by the statue of St. Francis of Assisi on the side of the church

October Devotions (Rosary & Litany of Our Lady):

Weeknights at 6:30pm throughout the month of October at St. Romuald Chapel.

Friday, October 6th 5:00—7:30 PM

Fr. Greenan Parish Center

Cost: \$10 Adults; \$7 Take-Out (does not include drink or dessert) \$5 children over 5 years* Children under 5, FREE





Don't forget to return your raffle tickets either by mail, place in collection basket or drop by the rectory. Additional raffle tickets are available at the rectory. Tickets are \$1 each or

(6) for \$5. Prizes are: \$1,500, \$500 and (4) \$250.

Also, remember to return donations for the raffle baskets no later than Sunday, September 24.

Be sure to join us for this fun evening. What a wonderful way to support your parish. Come eat good food and enjoy good company!



THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.

Get FORMED Now! It's EASY and FREE to Register!

- Visit formed.org with a web browser
- Click on Register (lower right of page)
- Enter Parish Access Code: 876N29

Enter your email and create a password (you need this to login later)

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR VICTIMS OF HURRICANE HARVEY

(NEXT WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 23/24)

At the request of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Bishop Tobin has requested that parishes consider an emergency special collection to assist the victims of *Hurricane Harvey*. Our prayers and material support is urgently needed to help rebuild lives. Our parish will support this endeavor and take up a special collection at all weekend Masses on the weekend of September 23/24. Thank you for your support in helping those in desperate need.

DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE OFFICE OF LIFE & FAMILY THE FINDING HOPE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Divorced? Separated? The Office of Life and Family will offer the "Finding Hope" Program at St Pius X Church, 44 Elm St,



Westerly (conference room, right of the altar), Wednesday evenings, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., October 11 through December 13, except November 1st and 22nd. This free support group embraces our Catholic faith and provides a peaceful place for sharing, healing, and for discussion topics related to separation/divorce. Registration, contact: Peter A Magnotta at 421-7833, ext.217.

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ADULT COFFEE HOUR

There will be an Adult Coffee Hour for all parents of religious education students during class times on Sunday mornings. This is a social event intended to give parents an opportunity to

chat with other parents. If you're dropping your child off at the Father Greenan Center for religious education, please stay and have a cup of coffee!